of private posting. -The Boston Watchmon and Reflector, & paper, has given no explanation of the publication by it of that fabulous letervie & between a Ceylon missionary and Harlow Case, which was palmed off on the press as a "a true story." It is only known that a "lady contributor" wrote it.

-Miss Lizz's Holland of Waverly, Tioga County, a young lady fully identified by complexion with the englayed of this land, is a new speaker in behalf of Freedom in America, who has taken the platform.

WAS MRS. BRANNAN MURDERED?

It will be remembered that on the 20th of July last Mrs. John M. Brannac, wife of Capt. Brannan of the U. S. Army, mysteriously disappeared. Her husband, was then at Key West, Florids, on duty, and Mrs. Brannan was residing with her mother, the widow of Col. Crane of the U. S. Army, at Chelsea, on States Island. Mrs. B. remained at the North by advice of her brother, Dr. Craze, of the army, who suggested this course as indispensable to the restoration of her health, which had been seriously impaired by a fever contracted while she was with her husband in Florida. One result of the fever had been the rendering of her subject to severe and prostrating headaches, which occurred frequently, and often compelled her to take to her bed.

When Mrs. Brancan disappeared she was in the thirty-first year of her age, and had been married to the Captain since the 16th of September, 1850. The only issue of their marriage is a female child, named A'ida now about seven years old, who resided with her mother at Mrs. Col Crane's, and is now under the care of that lady.

It appears that on the morning of the 20th of July Mrs. Crane, Mrs. Brannan, Dr. Crane, his brother William and the child Alida rode together from the hopse of the former to the steamboat landing, called the Chelsea landing. There the two ladies separa ed from the child, (Mrs. Brannan kissing her daughter, as was her invariable custom when they parted,) and took the 8 o'clock hoat for New-York. Mrs. Brannan left her mother in the city to visit a friend, agreeing to meet her on the boat which was to leave for Port Richmond at ?! o'clock p. m. that day. She was seen at that ferry by Mr. George Vreeland, an express agent, shortly after the boat had left, having arrived too late. and was again seen at the same ferry that evening at 7 o'clock, under circumstances hereafter stated. Mr Vreeland knew her well, was recognized by her at that time, and observed that she seemed disappointed. As she did not meet her mother, nor return home that night, her absence zoon occasioned anxiety; and when so much time had elapsed as made it apparently certain that she was not to return, measures were taken to discover what had become of her. To this object her brother, Dr. Crane, sedulously devoted himself, enlisting the services of the police, of detectives, and others; inquiring at the various places where cars or steamboats left, and otherwise investigating whatever might possibly furnish a clue to her whereabouts. Rewards for this purpose were offered by the Doctor, and also by the Supervisors of the County of Richmond; but no information as to what had become of her was obtained. Various rumors as to her having gene away voluntarily, and being at different places stated, were then current, as many of a similar nature have been since. All of them have been investigated, and found groundless.

While the efforts to gain some account of her were progressing, a Mr. Pickersgill, who, on the day of her disappearance, resided on Staten Island, communicated

the following facts: Mr. Pickersgill left New-York that evening for the Quarantine, by the 7 o'clock boat. Just after the Port Richmond boat had passed out of her slip, a lady dressed in full mourning, and attired as Mrs. Brannan is proved by her mother to have been that day, came to the ferry, and finding that she was too late, exhibited some agitation. The boat for Quarantine had then moved from the wharf, and persons who noticed the lady apprised her of the fact that that was the last the island that night. The boat was backed to the wharf, she came on board and passed into the cabin-the collector having informed her that she could get a carriage at the Quarantine to take her to Port Richmond. These incidents, and the fact of her being unattended, drew Mr. Pickersgill's attention to her. He observed near her, at one time, a man dressed in black, whom he at first supposed was acquainted with her, but this opinion he soon abandoned, as they did not converse or communicate with each other in any way. When the boat reached the Quarantine landing, she passed off it alone, and walked toward a livery stable close by, kept by a Mr. Matthew Caroll, being followed at a short distance by the man in black. She spoke to Mr. Caroll, left him, and went to the driver of a public back or carriage then standing in front of Mr. Caroll's stable. Immediataly after she entered the vehicle. Then the man in black, after apparently speaking to the driver, also got in and took a seat be side her, but they did not communicate with each other.
Just about this time, a driver of Caroll's, named Daly, had etarted off with his carriage, in which were two servant women, who had come down in the 7 o'clock bost. One of the women had forgotten a hat-box, and Daly was obliged to return with his vehicle and get it. He then set off again, following the carriage in which the lady and gentlemen were seated, and which was but a short distance in advance of him. It appears that these backs are used in the same manner as stages or omnibuses, and it is common for persons going in the same direction to ride in them together, although not acquainted with each other. The car riages separated at a point distant about a third of a from the landing, and went in different directions; that containing the lady and man taking the road to Port Richmond, a large part of which is through a derse wood.

This revelation being made by Mr. Pickersgill, a complaint was, on the 31st August, 1857, made before Justice De Forest of Tompkinsville, Staten Island, and an investigation had. Pickersgill was examined, Mr. Matthew Caroll, his son John Caroll, and all the drivers and employees of Caroll, as well as the other persons who on the day or evening in question had vehicles at the landing. But it was not discovered who drove the carriage containing the lady and man, nor what had become of driver, horses, vehicle, or passengers. The elder Caroll, however, testified to the important fact, that on the arrival of the seven o'clock boat that evening a lady dressed in black came to him, asked him how much he would charge to take her to Port Richmond, and before he had answered the question, inquired of him whether he knew Co. Crane. He answered in the negative, adding that he knew the Colonel's son, William. She then left him, and he never saw her again, nor was he aware of ever having seen her before. There was no means by which a vehicle could leave the Island that night, the last boat from it having then gone, and there being no bridge or carriage way between any part of the island and an opposite shore.

Nothing in this state of facts warranted the Justice in holding any party, and no warrant was issued by him. Capt. Brannan having obtained leave of abber, traveling with all possible dispatch, but having been compelled to wait until he procured leave. He set on foot new inquiries, and engaged the services of George W. Matsell, eaq., late Chief of Police, to aid in solving, if possible, the mystery which then shrouded the fate of Mrs. Brannan. The Chief, with the Captain and other persons called to his aid, explored the region of Staten Island over which she would have passed on her way home, made a thorough search of the woods, dug in many places, where the appearance of the earth indicated trat a grave might be found, and had the ponds in the neighborhoed dragged, but all to no purpose. From that time to the present, having procured his leave to be extended, lest," or "was not sounded" in the Elizabethan Capt. Brancan has devoted himself continually and in-

Florence he drew \$4,000 from his banker, the right | defatigably to search for the person of his wife, or royal party was obliged to halt for remittuces before | some infermation as to her fate, having in the effort the advice and assistance of Lot C. Clark and James T. Brady, the former of whom is a well-known councelor at law, residing on Staten Island. The operations thus carried on were kept secret, in the hope that comething might thus be accomplished, and all the while sumors, such as have already been mentioned, were rife in the community. Not one of them, however, has proved to be in any particular correct, and beyond the established facts that Mrs. Brasnan went to Staten Island in the 7-o'clock boat, on the evening of the 20th of July, there spoke to Mr. Carollas stated, and got into a public carriage, nothing whatever as to her whereabouts has been accertained.

When the efforts so made proved thus fruitless, Capt. Brannan, by advice of his counsel, on the 27th day of January last, instituted a new complaint before Justice L. H. Haggerty, of Port Richmond, on Staten Island, alleging the belief that his wife had been murdered. On this a thorough investigation has been had, under the direction of Alfred Delpoot, esq., District Attorney of Richmond County, aided by Mr. Marshall, and Mesers. Clark and Brady. Pickersgill, the two Carolls, all the drivers and employees before mentioned. and every other person who might possibly throw light on the case, has been examined. And on this occasion, Mrs. Crane, Capt. Brannan, and Dr. Crane, have given their testimony, which we communicate herewith, as also that of Peckersgill and the Carolla.

It will be seen that Mrs. Brannan was a lady of refined education and demeanor, religious in feeling, fond of literature, of a domestic disposition, affection ate and devoted as daughter, mother, sister, and wife. Her relations with her family and society were such as to preclude the idea of her voluntarily separating herself from her busband, child, and kindred, and keeping them in utter ignorance as to whether she was living or dead. At the time of her disappearance, and for some time previously, she had contemplated, and was making arrangements for a visit to Maine, and thence to the White Mountains, with her child and her friend, Mrs. Anderson. To this visit she looked forward with pleasure. She had also, by correspondence with her husband, settled upon joining him at Key West in the Fail, which was deemed the season most suitable for that purpose in reference to her health. And in view of this event, she had purchased furniture for her intended home at Key West, some portion of which had even then been actually shipped. She had about her person, when she went away, only the garments she wore, a parasol, a watch and chain, her wedding-ring, a diamond ring, the gift of her husband, and a purse containing a small amount of money. She and no reticule, traveling bag, valise, or other article for a similar use. All her other apparel, trinkets, letters, and personal effects, were and are in her mother's house at

These facts exclude the belief that such a wife, mother, or daughter, would secretly abscond. They seem to leave no other explanation of her fate than that Ler life ended on Staten Island during the night of the 20th of July. Whether she was assassinated for the sake of the articles in her possession, or to conceal violence attending an outrage of her person, or whether she died from the terror consequent on an attempt so to outrage her, are questions which cannot at present be answered. The suggestions made, thoughtlessly or otherwise, intimating that Mrs. Brannan is yet alive, emanate from these who know nothing whatever about her. If there be any person who can state, under oath, a single fact calculated to show what has become of her, it is earnestly desired and solicited that such person's name and address be forwarded to Mr. Matsell, and the proof thus rendered will at once be taken. But there is nothing whatever now known to warrant the belief that anything can be so stated which will not confirm the theory that she is deceased.

The testimony taken before Justice Haggerty is too voluminous for the columns of a daily paper, to be published at length, we understand, in The National Police Gazette of the 16th instant. It shows, from statements of the husband and relatives of Mrs. Brannan, that they have no doubt whatever of her decease on the night of the 20th of July last; no fact connected with her past life, or her disappearance warranting their entertaining for one moment any different opinion. And it seems but just to them, and due to the reputation of Mrs. Brannan, that hints, surmises, or statements injurious to her, or presenting any suspicion as to her conduct, may no longer be indulged the absence of a single fact to warrant them. The investigation before Judge Haggerty is kept open for the reception of any proof which may be furnished in reference to Mrs. Brannan's fate, and it is hoped that the anthorities may receive all the aid which any one can bestow in their effort to expose and punish what is believed to be a most brutsl and outrageous murder.

MR. MARSH ON THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

Mr. Marsh on Monday spoke of Rhyme. He said that inflected languages afforded much greater facilities for rhyming than uninflected lauguages. Out of the 30,000 words in Walker's Rhyming Dictionary at least 5,000 had no rhyme. Chaucer complained of the paucity of rhymes in English. The average number of hymes to that portion of the vocabulary which was capable of rayme was more than three to one. In panish there were only 3,900 endings, to more than 100,000 forms of words, or 1 to 25. It was much the same with Italian, which readily accounted for the wonders of the improvisatori. The flexibility of the Italian gave it a superiority over the Spanish for improvisation. He had heard an improvisatore take from lictation a train of thought, the rhyming words, and two dictated verses, and weave them into a sonnet in ess time than was required to fix on the rhyming words. Into ancient prosody it was hard to believe that some element did not enter which had escaped us; the quantity of the syllables did not seem to be sufficient poetical basis. He had found twenty rhymes in the Hesiod, and but seven in an equal portion of the Had or the Odyssey. He supposed that they had been edited out of Homer. Mr. Marsh condemned thymes in prose, and noticed a ludicrous in stance in one of Fisher Ames's Orations, and the sensitiveness of the Spanish in regard even to half rhymes. Rhume was a genuine Gothic word, and ought to be spelled as Milton spelled it, rime. It was stoutly opposed by the revisers of classical literature. Ben Jonson wrote some very good rhymes in sharp reprehension of it. Milton condemned it, and the slowness with which his poem was recognized was probably due to its lack of rhyme, then demanded by English ears. The poet was reduced in our language to so few perfect rhymes that the temptation to make approximate rhymes was too strong to be withstood. He, however, thought that they would fied it worth while to go back to the models of Saxon and Norse poetry, and that better substitutes might be found there, and many old words could be resuscitated which would increase the facility of rhyming.

ENGLISH PRONUNCIATION.

to the Editor of The N. Y. Tribune. Sin: In the report of Mr. Marsh's lecture on the English language, published in THE TRIBUNE on Saturday, he is represented to have said, in the course of a dissenting criticism of my opinion in regard to the pronunciation of th in Shakespeare's day, that he did not suppose it possible that "one of the sounds of the language could have disappeared, and been reinstated again forty years afterward." As, in The century of the same date, Mr. Marsh is also repre sented as having said that "Mr. White's declaration ' that the aspirated sound of the was lost in the seven teenth century" is unsupported; and as even The Atlantic Monthly, in opposing this view, remarks in one passage (p. 254) that I have taken up the notion that the th was not sounded in the England o Shakespeare"-I ak permission to say through your columns, that all these statements directly (though unintentionally, doubtless,) misrepresent my opinion on the ubject in question. I have never said or thought that he aspirated sound of th "disappeared" or "was cet," or "was not sounded" in the Elitabethan

tion oth was semetimes, at least, pronounced on " and that in some words "th was pronounced as f The very proof that this was the case depends in some measure, at least, on the fact, that in some (perhaps the majority of esses) the bad the aspirated sound. English pronunciation was certainly not more analogioal to Shakespeare's time than it is now.

Bichard Orant White.

FIRES.

About 2; o'clock on Toesday morning a fire broke About 24 o'clock on Toesday morning a fire broke out in in a frame stable on Seventh are nue, between Fifty third and Fifty-fourth streets, owned and occupied by Bernard Rochenfield, and theore extended to a small dwelling-nouse adjoining. Both buildings were destroyed, and a cow, valued at \$50, was burned to death in her stall, all attempts at rescuing her proving unavailing. The fire is said to have been the work of incerdiary. Loss, about \$100. Insured in the Citizens Fire Insurance Company. The police of the Twenty-second and Nineteenth Precincts did all in their power to save the property of Mr. Rochenfield from destruction. A colored boy, named Thos. Smith, was arrested on suspicion.

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FIRE IN WEST THIRTY-SECOND STREET. At a late hour Monday night, a fire occurred it At a late hour Alonday night, a fire occurred in the fourth story of the brick tenement house No. 259 West Thirty second street, owned by Koyson Parkins, and occupied by Edward Morgan, and other families, in correquence of a drunken woman setting a lighted candle against the window frame and sash. Damage about \$5. The building is insured for \$2,800 in the Partific Insurance Company.

After the fire, some of the firemen got into a fight which would have been very serious, but, for the in-

which would nave terference of the police. FIRE IS SECONDAY.

A building in course of crection in Gates avenue, near Hanter street, was set on fire on Monday, but was extinguished with a few palls of water before an alarm was given. The fire was caused by the care-lessness of the workmen.

CITY ITEMS.

A public meeting of those inclined to take measures for the relief of the unemployed classes in this city, will be held at Hope Chapel this evening. It is expected that Mayor Tiemann will preside. The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher will deliver an address, and other speakers will also be heard.

BULLS' HEAD .- Owing, in part, to a short supply, but much more to the "operators for a rise," the price of beef cattle this week has taken a start up ward equal to one-half cent to a full cent a pound, The number varded at Forty-'outh street, vesterday, was 1,693, exclusively of the Harlem road, upon which a train was expected, but had not arrived at aundown, with some two bundred head, and a few were experted from Bergen, in all not much, if any, exceeding 2,000 head. Our Albany report says the arrival there the last week was only 1,504, which was 752 head less than on the previous week, and that the market was active, in consequence of a large number of New-York buyers, who anticipated a good market, which they have realized. Two-thirds of the stock at Albany changed hands, and some of the droves were resold to sell again after they arrived here. This will account for the rise to day, more than any scarcity, and on that account the advance must be looked upon with a slight degree of caution in the country. It is thought that if the weather on Tuesday afternoon had not been warm and rainy, the market would have shown a full average advance of one cent a pound. As it was, whole droves of first-class cattle were seiling at rates that indicated an average of 11 cents a pound, and first-class buyers generally declared that they had to pay 111 cents.

STEREOSCOPIC. - Since the publication of an article on the Stereoscope in THE TRIBUNE last Summer, the business has experienced an enormous increase. The principal dealers estimate that not less than threefourths of a million of objects have been sold within the last six months. The supply of imported stereoscopes gave out in the holidays, and it became neceseary to make them here. Immediately a shrawd New-Yorker invented a machine for cutting out the pieces of word of which the small ones are made, a thing which has never been done by machinery in Europe.

An improvement has been made in the large storeoscopes. That of Mr. Becker is the finest instrument. It is extensively in use in France and in this country: but it is expensive, and it shows only glass pictures. As four or five of the finest paper pictures can be produced at a less expense than an ordinary glass picture, it became very desirable that a large instrument should be made to held paper pictures also. Mr. Joseph Beckel has just received a patent for such a stereoscope in this country, and goes out to Europe to secure his right there. It is a box externally similar to Becker's; but the objects are connected by ribbons attached to their ends into an endless chain, which is turned, the objects are unfolded upon each other. backward and forward, forming a pack. On the other side the prism takes up the pictures from the pack, and the weight of the pack carries it down under the prism and up on the other side in a smooth semi-cylinder. One instrument will easily hold 100 pictures, and its cost need not be great. This invention ought to make stereescopic pictures popular, as it presents them in their most elegant and convenient form, at a slight ex-

The whole world, except South America, has been ransacked for stereoscopic objects, and at last, attention has been directed to the moon. The moon, it is well knows, always presents the same side to us, but there are oscillations which are sufficient to produce

from month to month a stereoscopic effect.

Mr. Lewis M. Rutherford of Second avenue, with his powerful telescope, has succeeded in obtaining photographs of a three-quarters moon, from which M. Duchochois has made some very fine stereoscopic objects. They bring out the roundness of the moon admirably, and give a vivid picture of the volcanic desolation which makes the moon a cinder of a world. A stereoscopic picture of the full moon is nearly ready, and will be out in a week.

Dr. J. W. Palmer of New-York lectures in the Kingston N.Y. course next week, on "The Grotesque and Barbaresque in Travel." Cortis, Bayard Taylor, Starr King and Saxe, have preceded him.

Powers's California.-Mr. Wm. B. Astor has just received from Florence the statue of California, for which he gave Mr. Powers an order last year. It is a nude female figure, in a standing posture. The hair is simply knotted behind, whence it falls in a thick mass over the shoulders. The statue is an admirable display of youth and power. With one hand she presents a magic ring; the other half conceals a thornbranch. To give the necessary solidity to the base, one of the legs leans against a mineral block, cut in a crystalline form. The statue is at Mr. Astor's residence, in Lafayette place.

"News from Home" is the title of a handsome quarto journal just commenced in this city by Messas. T. Towndrow and Stanley Day. It is devoted to intel ligence fron Great Britain and Ireland, of which it presents every week a complete and minute summary. The number now before us is adorned with a number of wood cuts illustrating the life of Robert Burns, who is the subject of an interesting article.

GEESE-GREAT ARRIVAL FROM THE WEST .- We noticed, a few days since, a flock of geess in Oato, said to contain six thousand, enroute " to New-York and a market." Yesterday, in passing up town, we encountered, as we suppose, this grand army of Ohio geere, marching with slow and solemn pace through Fourth street, eastward, in the charge of numerous captains of thousands, captains of hundreds, captains of fifties, and where the party took a crisk.

Upon leaving the place, they walked the street some timidatingly used to keep the stragglers in the ranks. Intersperced throughout the multitude of grey gases and white, were some huntrels of tail black turkeys, and white, were some huntrels of tail black turkeys, and the street some time, and, at the conter of Tryon row and Chatham prodigality of the persons who caused it to be built. H.E.

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noting" were pronounced alike; that "the con. blat- which gave the army a sort of military appearance. Altogether it was a novel sight in Now-York to see such a drave marched through the streets, and it attracted a large degree of attention from a class of bipeds generally supposed to have more brains than the bipeds that were driven. We are not posted as to the ultimate destination of the goose army. One of the ceptains said: " To stock Connecticut."

> THE STATES ISLAND INCENDIARIES.-The Quarantime burners of Staten Island have started a new paper, called The Sepoy, in which they uphold the late arroup, harmmer away at the Health Officer, and abuse the Commissioners of Emigration as "the most corrupt body in the State." It is asserted at Tompkinsville that, unless the Legislature removes the Quarantine, the hospitals will be burned down again, on or about the 2d of April.

THE CONNECTICUT BANK CASHIER RESCUED .-

While Detectives O'Keefe and Houston, were at the Herlem Depot with their prisoner, Samuel F. Jones, the alleged defaulting Bank Cashier of Colchester, Cone., yesterday merning, waiting to take passage in the first train for New-Haven, Mr. Andy Sheehan, Deputy Sheriff, Mr. Warren Leland of the Metropolitan Hotel, and half a dozen other Sheriff a cilicars, with a Fourteenth Ward policemen named Duffy, came up and resoned the prinoner. The detectives were about to take Jones to Connections on a warrant issued by Gov. King, in December, 1807, when he was taken from them. The case appears to be briefly as follows: Jones was arrested in December, 1857, in this city, by Detective Brevoort, on a requisition fasued by Gov. King. He was held one day without authority, waiting for the Correctiont Back Commissioners, who were town, to make a complaint, which they declined to do. and he was discharged from custody. On the 'th o this mouth he was arrested by an officer of the Court of Sessions, on a warrant issued by Recorder Barnard for obtaining \$1,600 by false pretenses, and was held in custody by the officer at the Metropolitan Hotel. On Morday, during the temporary absence of the officer, Mr. Jones's room was entered by the detectives, who arrested him on the requisition, although he had been once discharged on that document. He informed the detectives that he was already under arrest, but as they insisted on taking him in charge, he quietly submitted to the arrest. The detectives are said to have taken him from one Station-House to another, refusing to allow him any communication with his counsel. At an early hour, yesterday merning, they took him in a carriage to Harlem, intending to put him on the first train for New-Haven, and as they were about doing so, the officer from whose custody he was taken by them, claimed his prisoner, and the detectives quietly surrendered him at his request. The officer was accompanied by Warren Leland, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Duffy, and another gertleman.

Another account says that there was a fight, when Leland choked O Keefe, and Speeban knocked Houston down.

The officer took Mr. Jones before Recorder Barnard, who stated that the warrant upon which he was arrested was issued over two years ago by Recorder Smith, and therefore now invalid, and that the order from Gov. King was also void, he having ceased to be the chief executive officer of the State.

The officers seriously contemplated the recapture of their prisoner, believing that the authority from the Governor was paramount, but the Recorder assured them that he should be produced at his office at 11 o'clock. Jones was duly on hand, attended by counsel, and the Recorder set down the argument upon the sufficiency of the authority upon which he was to have been taken to Connecticut for this morning

More of THE BROOMS STREET DIAMOND ROB-BERY .- We have already given the particulars of the robbery of Mr. Hermann's jewelry establishment on Saturday last, by his son-in-law Gerson Cohn. Yesterterday, Mr. Hermann returned from Philadelphia. having in custody Charles Cohn, brother of the reputed thief, and took him to his store in Broome street, adjoining the Police Headquarters, subsequently placing him in charge of Detectives King, Elder and Shanele. He deried all knowledge of the crime, and stated that his brother left for Europe in the steamer last Saturday. The officers found, however, that the prisoner had pawned \$300 worth of diamond rings and ins at Simpson's for \$80, and sold the pawn ticket for \$10. This property was identified and recovered, and there is a chance of oblaining more. The va ue of the property stolen is about \$1,000.

FATAL ACCIDENT.-Mr. Charles DeBeaufort, a naive of Germany, expired at the New-York Hospital pesterday. He was a man of family and reputation in his native land, and enjoyed the society of many of the best families in this city, who were acquainted with his is recled over a prism, whose sides are ex-actly equal to a paper object. As the prism by a cart, at the corner of Fulton street and Broadway producing a compound fracture of his ankle joint. The police carried him to the hospital, where he refused to low his limb to be amputated, and mortification setting in, he died yesterday. The Rev. Dr. DeWitt. er friends, attended him in his last moments and soothed his passage to the grave.

> ATTACK UPON CENTRAL PARK SKATERS .- Yesterday afternoon, as little Frank Carroll and two or three companions were returning from their skating exercises at the Central Park, they were assailed by a gang of young ruffiacs, lead on by one Michael Driscoll, n Third evenue, between Thirty-eighth and Thirtyninth streets. Frank and the others ran off as fast as they could, but Driscoll overtook him and stole his skates. Officer Eldridge happened to be in the vicinity at the time, and arrested the thief, with the stole property in his possession. The prisoner was taken to the Second District Police Court, where Justices Kelly and Quackenbush committed him to the House of Refuge. It is said by the Police that there is a gang of bad boys in the upper part of the city, who make practice of stealing the skates of little unprotested boys going to or coming from the Central Park skating pond. Now and then one gets caught, but measures are on foot to apprehend the entire gang.

> A NEW DODGE-LOOK OUT FOR YOUR CHILDREN. -For some weeks past a girl and boy, apparently about 14 years of age, have been hanging about the neighborhood of Spring, Sullivan and Thompson streets, for the purpose of robbing children sent by their parents to the stores in that vicinity. On the appearance of the little child, the girl approaches her and requests her to count her money, as she has just found some, and believee it to be here; meanwhile, she is induced to walk to the next corner, where the boy makes his appearance, and, upon looking at the money, he deliberately snatches it from the child's hand and runs away, the girl going one way and he the other. Several families have been victimized thus, and it is time it was stopped. In one instance the girl stole the money.

> WHO'S BEEN ROBBED ?- An officer in Avenue B on Tuesday night found a small tin box containing several receipts and a bank book on the Bowery Savings Bank for \$257 44, in the name of James M. Reynold. It is supposed that this box was stolen, robbed of whatever money was in it, and then thrown away.

> ALLEGED HIGHWAY ROBBERY .- On Monday morning, Mr. Samuel C. Poe of Troy, N. Y., who has been stopping a few days at Eatle's Hotel, appeared before Justice Welsh, and preferred complaint against one William Gantz, charging him with having robbed him on Monday night last of a watch, valued at \$80. Mr. Poe alleges that about 1 o'clock on that night he fell is with three young men on the corner of Ann and Nessen streets, and accompanied them to a saloon, where the party took a drink.

moment the seafter discovered that his watch we goes. Before he could speak, Gauta, who was one of the party, struck him a powerful blow on the left the party, struck him a powerful blow on the left to their name, and 4 were excused. The Cajendar was provided a management of purpose are called of which 2 is to their names, and 4 were excused. The Cajendar was called of which 2 is obeek with his fist, as he alleges, and at the same time passed the wetch to a confederate. Mr. Pos seized Gaztz, and detained him until the arrival of an officer, when the alleged highwayman was taken in custody. The other ruffians escaped. Justice Welsh committed the accused to answer the charge.

UP TO A NEW Dongs .- On Saturday, about 41 o'clock in the afternoon, two boys, each not over thirteen years of ege, called at the house of Dr. Jones G. Hewett, No. 123 Greene street, apparently in a state of great anxiety, and requested to see the doctor. Accordingly, they were taken isto the parlor, where they waited but a very few minutes for Dr. H. Upon his appearing, one of them stated that they had been sent in great baste by their mother, Mrs. Haviland, residing at No. 58 East Twenty-eighth street, to inform the doctor that he was wanted immediately. The message was received and duly attended to: but, upon making the visit, the dector discovered that a large number of the medical profession-upward of twenty-had called upon Mrs. Haviland that evening: that Mrs. Haviland had never sent the message, and was entirely ignorant of the whole transaction. The secret of the matter was revealed, however, upon the doctor's return home, where he discovered that the young scoundrels had taken from his parlor an opera glass and several other small articles, such as could be easily taken without

observation.

A PACK OF THIEVES .- Yesterday afternoon Capt Leebard, of the City Hall Precinct, sent out a file o his men on the special duty of arresting every thief and pickpocket-known to be such either by officers of the squad or by the railtoad conductors of all the lines converging in the vicinity of the Astor House-that it was persible for them to pick up hanging around the depote, the Museum or the City Hall Park. Mr. Abraham Simmons, a conductor on the Sixth-avenue Railroad, made a particular charge against two of them-James Scoles and Thomas Mangan-for excessive gallantry to lady passengers, and occasionally to plethoric old gentlemen. Toomas was seen during the afternoon to asset an elderly lady on the one side into a car, while the gallant James did the same on the other, incidentally diving into her pocket with the unemployed hand—a game of disinterestedness not accommon, it is said. Six of them were apprehended -Hugh Riley, Pat McCarty, Thomas Johnson, James Manting, James Scoles and Thomas Maugan-and taken before Justice Welsh; and after duly registering their names at the Squad-room, they were escorted to the Tombe by a respectable body of officers.

REAL ESTATE -The following sales were made yesterday at the Merchants' Exchange, by Mosers.

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A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co.:
4 story and basement house and lot. No. 182 W. 23d-st. \$16,000
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Two frame houses and lots Nos. 236 and 233 Henry st., together (5x100, together. 4x100, tog CRUSHED .- A fireman named Josiah Lohrs was admitted to the City Hospital yesterial, suffering from a compound fracture of the leg, which he received the previous day, on board the steamship Huntsville, while at sea, by hecoming entangled in the machinery. If he railed sufficiently, his limb, which was crushed to atoms, was to be amputated last night.

A NEW COUNTERFEIT .- Spurious \$10 bills on the Commercial Bank of Burlington, Vt., altered from \$1's Perth, Amboy, N. J., were put in circulation here yesterday.

| Advertisement. | REAL BLACK DIAMONDS-pure and inimitable diamonds, too, in a moral sense—are those NUSIAN TROUBA-BOURS at BARNUM'S MUSEUM. As negro infinitely and far-ceurs, they have no equals. They provoke the most uncontrol-able isuphter; yet everything they say and do is marked by del-leavy and fastidious refinement. Mad. ELVINA, in her feats on the flying wire, and her pas soul, as well as the Nubians, This AFTERNOON and EVENING.

GOOD NEWS FOR MONEY MAKERS. Extra fine large Photographs, One Dollar; Painted, \$3.

Finely finished PORTRAITS, by the Queen's Artist, \$10. Life sized PORTRAITS. Worth \$1, for 59 cents.

Holmes's Gallery of Art, No. 239 Broadway.

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[Advertisement.] PHRENOLOGY.-Examinations, with charts and written descriptions of character, given daily at the Phrene-logical Cabinet, No. 308 Broadway, two blocks above the Park. Private rooms for Gentlemen and Ladies. Fowlers & Walle.

A. W. FABER'S Lead Pencils, sold at retail by Ders. At wholesale only by ERERHARD FARER, sole agent, No. 133 William-st.

THE METALLIC TABLET STROP-Invented by GZO. SAUNDERS, A. D., 1818.—This, the genuine article, has never been equaled for producing the keenest possible edge to a ranor. Can be obtained of the subscribers and sole manufacturers, J. & S. SAUNDERS, No. 7 Astor House.

BROOKLYN ITEMS.

THE BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.-A numer-

onely attended meeting of gentlemen interested in the establishment of an Academy of Music in the City of Brooklyn was held Monday evening at the Athenseum. In consequence of the lecture of Prof. Mitchel at Plymouth Church (which many of the friends of the enterprise attended), the meeting was not organized till nearly 9 o'clock, when Mr. A. A. Low was selected as Chairman, with a long list of Vice-Presidents and Secretaries. Mr. Chittenden, chairmen of the Committee on Subscriptions, reported that the sum of \$91,000 had been subscribed toward the project. The full amount of capital required was \$150,000, and the Committee had determined not to take steps toward pro-curing plans or purchasing a site until the whole sum had been realized. They had decided, however, that the building should be erected in the vicinity of the City Hall, and that it should be one worthy of the city. Addresses in favor of the enterprise were made by the Rev. Drs. Storrs and Kennedy, Prof. Raymond and others. Subscriptions amounting to \$100,000 were raised, and measures taken to procure the remaining \$50,000, when the meeting adjourned.

THE DEMOCRATIC WELL AT THE BROOKLYN NAVY YARD.

To the Editor of The N. Y. Tribune.

Six: Many months ago the newspapers were telling

the public that our "Uncle Sam' was digging an Artesian well in the Navy Yard, the object being in good part to obtain a supply of water suitable to take to sea in ships fitting out at that yard. That the Nassau Water Works would soon be completed was no reason why the welli should not be dug, and the reservoir to receive the water be built, because you see it was a fifty thousand-dollar job or thereabout, and somebody wasted it.

In a short time water was reached, but an analysis

In a soor the north for drinking or cooking purposes.
One would have thought the project would have been abandoned; but some brilliant genius, whose knowledge abandoned; but some brilliant genius, whose knowledge of scoter was very limited, suggested that if the well were thoroughly pumped out, the water would become sweet and good; and a steam-pump was actually kept going in that well night and day for a fortnight! Meanwills, the bricks for the reservoir were brought along, and, as it was nobody's basiness to look after our Uucle's interests, the work went on; and there stands just inside the yard a comely brick building, complete in all its parts.

In all its parts.

The Government will be obliged to take water from the Narsan Water Works, and the new reservoir will aland there as an illustration of the stupidity and prodigality of the persons who caused it to be bailt.

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HAREAS CORFUS.—Yesterday, John Peterson webbrought be fore Judge Culver on a writ of habeas corpus to show cause why he did not produce his infant, a girl some feet would, in a mpissne with an order of the Court, which had awarded its custody to the mother, Muris Peterson after him agrainment of coursel, the infant was placed in charge of Deputy-Sheriff Ryerson, and each party was allowed the principle to see it whenever they thought proper until the final face without the matter. Peterson had taken the child from mother (his wife), and placed it in charge of other parties, an mother child with a was addicted to drinking beyon, and was not qualified to take charge of it.

ATTACKED IN THE STREET.—A young man and street, was attacked by two rollians on the corner of First post and Henry streets, on Monday night, and beater. The object was doubtless to rob. He escaped before they but the secompilal their purpose.

COUNTERFEITS .- Counterfeit \$10 bills on the son mercial Bank of Burlington, Vt., h ave recently been inted. They are altered from is on the Commercial Bank of Perta Amboy, New Jessey.

Collision on the River.—On Monday night the ferry boat George Law, of the South Tenth street ferry, where on the up trip, and into the Peck slip ferry boat Onesda, which the Onesda's cable was torn of, and the boat otherwise damaged. Both beats were going toward Williamsburge at the time. None of the passengers were injured, but many of the vere considerably frightened. The pilot of the Onesda was a Thomas Rosewal The Onesda was so much injured that she was laid up.

DONATION VISIT.—The friends of the Rev. VI-liam H Johnson, the Williamsburgh City Missionary, will be der him a donation visit this evening, at his residence. In Johnson has a large field of labor, and is but posely re-

THE FERRIES.-The Committees of the new end old Ferry Companies were in conference yesterday alteract upon the proposition to take the property of the old Com say a fair valuation. The matter will be decided in a day or low.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—The property of Mr. Clayton Scholes, in the Nineteenth Ward, was put up at widing on Monday at the Morchanta Exchange, in New York, Twesty two lots were sold at an aggregate of \$13,325, of er which the also of the remedier of the lots was postsound in a faster day. The average price of the lots cold was \$883.

NEW-JERSEY ITEMS.

THE SUPPLY OF WATER-EXTENSION OF THE CITY LIMITS.—At the meeting of the Jersey City Common Council, last evening, the following communcation was received from Mayor Gregory in reference to the supply of water, and also as to the extension of

Common Council, last evening, the following commencation was received from Mayor Gregory in reference to the supply of water, and also as to the extension of the city limits:

Mayor's Orrice, Jersey City, Feb. 13, 1859.

Giryllemes or you Common Georgian and the extension bases called to the proceedings of the Board of Water Commusioners, who are about taking measures to erect a stand pipe at the water works, at Bellville, to give relief to the working of the easine and add to its power. From a committation with their council, I understand that there is a doubt of the Board being empowered to pay therefor out of any resources under their control. If this he so, relief must be obtained from the Legislature now in assistion. This remedy is speedy, but I am constrained to believe it is not all the relief required.

I find from evicence in possession of the Chief-Engliseer that the disc of pipes from the Belleville to the Bergen Hill Reservoir are new taxed to their nimost capacity, delivering \$8,50 is allowed that has not been checked, the commontton is equal to the supply, or nearly so. If, therefore, any serious accident should heppen to the pumping engine, or a destinative fire break out, domanding for its extinguishment a larre sugery of water, the reduced supply in store in the Bergen Hill Reservoir would be exhausted without remedy. To guard against such result, it is the part of windom to provide for the contingencies by creeking an additional engine, and another like 57 main pipe from reservoir to recervoir. This power should also be obtained from the registrative at its present session.

I arso call your attention to the suggestion contained in regretions as may be deemed reasonable and proper, so that further legislation may be obtained to assisted from the appointed to investigate and report to the Common Council such suggestions as may be deemed reasonable and proper, so that further legislation in may be obtained to assiste a view of the sugerition server in the sugerition as may be deemed reasonable

multee.
The preamble and resolution were adopted, and the The presence and such Committee, Aldermen Tildon, Chair appointed as such Committee, Aldermen Tildon, Hardenbergh and Van Voret.

Hardenbergh and Van Voret.

DEATH BY TAKING LAUDNUM,—An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner Mords, apon the body of feter Duncen, residing in the rear of No. 21 fasex street, who died on Monday night from the edisects of a dose of landnum. It appeared from the evidence that doceaned was a stereotyper, such and worked at No. 22 Sproce street, New-York, until about a year ago, since which time he has been out of employment, except an occasional Gay's work at the Conard docea. He was at one time in good direumstances, but had become reduced, and recently has drank to excess. On Monday afternoon Mrs. Duncan discovered that he had drank some induction, which was standing in the closes, but did not suppose these was enough to endanger his life Shortly atter, the family found that he was lying in bed inserable, and breatings heavily. One of the family oniced on the Content of them the the man would die, but advised them to call a physician. Dr Taggart after ward prescribed emetics, the content on the sum in the sum and these mentions, one of which the patiests the second in these mentions, one of which the patiests is a summary of the family on the summary of them minutes, one of which the patiests. to call a physician. Dr Targart afterward presented emetics to be given once in lifecen minutes, one of which the patient swallowed, but soon became insensible again, and died soon after. The Jury rendered a verdiet of "Deats from lautanum, o" administered by his own hand."

STABBING AFFRAY.—Coroner Morris proceeded yea-terday afternoon to the corner of Mosmouth and South Eighth streets, to take the deposition of a young man named Thomas Hallorn, who had been stabled. It appears that late on Sanday right Hallorn got into a fight with James O'Rourke, an express driver, who drew a knife and inflicted some six or seven wounds about his head, face and such said also stabled him quoe directly over the heast, but the blade was prevented from entering sufficient to endanger his life, in consequence of having to be driven through a thirk cost, vest and two heavy woollen under-shirts. Hallorn being considered out of danger did not feel dis-posed to take any legal proceedings. A warrant was issued by Justice Stanton for the arrest of O'Rourke, but it was sacer-tained that he had left the city.

AN UNKNOWN WOMAN FOUND DROWNED.—The body of a woman about 35 years of age, supposed to be German, was found yeaterday floating in the river at the fost of Newark st., Hoboken. Deceased had on a black calloo dress, with a striped delated dress under, dark quitted pettleoat, booskit, coarse lines chemise, marked with the initials M. M., No. 12 in red thread, Congress gatters and rubbers, straw hat trimmed with green ribbons, mixed shawl, fanny ivory breast-pin, ard small gold car rings in the ears. Corner Bohnstedt of Hoboken held an inquest, and a verdict of "Found Browaed" was rendered.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT-IN CHAMBERS-FEE. 15-Before Judge

THE HARDENBROOK ARREST.

This morning the Judge delivered an elaborate opinion in the case of William A. Hardenbrook on habeas

decired the motion for Hardenbrook's discharge. He denied the motion for Hardenbrook a discharge, dismissed the wris, and ordered the prisoner to be returned to the custody of the Sheriff. He held that Mr. Hardenbrook, when arrested, was going to the Referee's office voluntarily, and not by virtue of a subjent commanding his attendance.

Cram and Fowler, for Hardenbrook; A. R. Dyot, when Mr. Vandetrook for Sheriff.

oppose. Mr. Vanderpoei for Sueriff.

Before Judge Davis-Dacistons

John Stevenson agt. John B. Baxter.—Judgment

order settled.

Before Judge INGRAHAM.

In re The application of Sarah A. Coster, &c.—Referred to Wm. Mitchell to inquire into the faces and report a suitable person to be appointed trustee.

Sophia C. Lazedi agt. The Chatham Bank.—Motion denied; plaintiff a costs to abide event.

John Hone, Assignee, &c., agt. Wm. and Charles Hodges et al.—Motion to clicharge attachment against Wm. Bodges granted, on his stipulating not to bring an action pand motion to discharge attachment against Charles Hodges sealed without costs.

SUPERIOR COURT-SPECIAL TERM. - FEE. 15 .- Before

Joseph D. Bates et al. agt. Alexander Duneas et al.—Order that defendants have liberty to doposit in the Trast Company, and, on producing certificate, an order may be entered substituting and duchazzing, as prayed. Ten dollars costs allowed to applicant, interest at the original rate agreed upon.

John W. Bishop agt. Wm. B. Minor and Francis C. Cartine. Motion to discharge the defendant Cautine from arest denied, with \$7 costs.

Thomas Otis Le Roy et al. agt. Alfred Booth.—Complant disminated, with costa.

plant dismissed, with costs.

Electra Ann Boon agt. John L. Boon.—Decree of diverce granted, with allowance of \$24 per mosth during her natural fire.

James W. Wiltsie agt. Waillim L. Northam.—Case

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NOTES OF DECISIONS.

The recovery against a surety in a bond for the payment of money is not innited to the peanity, but may exceed a so far as necessary to include interest from the time of the breach.